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TV Response 2 to 1 Against McCarthy

The Columbia Broadcasting System reported Wednesday night that telephone calls and telegrams received after Sen. McCarthy's television "reply" to commentator Edward R. Murrow by more than two to one.

CBS said its stations across the country received 10,335 telephone calls backing Murrow and 4,076 endorsing McCarthy after the Tuesday evening "See It Now" program. A total of 1,801 telegrams sided with Murrow and 602 favored the Senator.

A CBS spokesman said 4,907 callers in New York were pro-Murrow and 3,069 pro-McCarthy. In Chicago the count was 1,579 for Murrow, 265 for McCarthy; Los Angeles 3,391 Murrow, 558 McCarthy; and Philadelphia 458 Murrow, 175 McCarthy.

Sunday Service to Honor Rev. Melish

A festival service will be held at 11 a.m. on Palm Sunday, April 11, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Montague and Clinton streets, Brooklyn, marking the 50th anniversary of the calling as rector of the parish and the first sermon on April 10, 1904, given by the Rev. John Howard Melish, now rector of the church.

The sermon on this occasion will be preached by the Rev. Karl Reiland, rector emeritus of St. George's Church, Stuyvesant Sq., New York.

Lumber Strikers Enjoin Company

SONOM, Cal., April 8 (FP).—The AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union has obtained an injunction against the Sonoma Plywood Co., restraining it from using violence against the union's pickets.

The company was struck when the local president of the union, Lawrence McClane, was fired following a 100 percent successful organizing drive in the plant. The union has also filed an unfair labor practice charge with the NLRB against the company.

20 Reported Killed In Canada Air Crash

MOOSE JAW, Sask., April 8.—A Trans-Canada Air Lines North Star and a small plane collided in the air today. First reports said 20 to 25 persons were killed.

Lawyers Guild Asks \$1,000 Tax Exemptions

A statement of the National Lawyers Guild on the 1954 tax bill, characterizing it as the "Big Deal" tax handout, is being forwarded to every member of the Senate Finance Committee, Earl B. Dickerson, president of the National Lawyers Guild, made known yesterday.

The Guild urged increased personal exemption to a minimum of \$1,000.

PROFIT RATES

WASHINGTON (FP).—The rate of profit for a majority of U. S. corporations was substantially higher in the postwar years, 1947 to 1952, than in 1940, a detailed study by the Federal Trade Commission reveals.

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UN GETS INDIA PLAN TO HALT H-BOMBS

Pickets Distribute Peanuts at City Hall

AFL civil service workers yesterday dramatized their protest against the "peanut raise" proposed by the Administration by distributing a "free" peanut to each passerby at a mass rally staged in City Hall park. The demonstration was sponsored by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL.

Despite the downpour during the picketing, more than 350 municipal employees held ranks. They carried signs demanding a \$750 salary increase "as a down payment on a realistic career and a salary plan."

From noon to 2 p.m. the demonstrators marched around City Hall. Some of their placards read: "Peanut raises are for the birds. City workers demand a \$750 raise," and "We want \$750 from City Hall, not pennies from heaven."

Jerry Wurf, the union's general representative, said the pay hikes proposed in Mayor Wagner's 1954-55 budget "are enough to make the angels weep."

"Moreover, the budget proposals pay lip service to the principle of a genuine career and salary plan but actually will perpetuate or compound the inequities that exist."

Wurf charged the administration with showing "callous indifference to the tragic economic plight of its employees," citing the \$10,000 raises for commissioners and the "nice kitty of \$350,000 is set aside for 'top level positions' but where is the city worker amidst this shining parade of dollar signs."

Diplomats Walk Out at Luncheon in Capital

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Representatives of Iraq, Egypt, Syria, Saudi Arabia and Lebanon walked out of a combined State and Post Office Department luncheon today when a speaker criticized the United Nations' censure of Israel in its dispute with Jordan. The speaker was Dr. Norman Salit, New York, president of the Synagogue Council of America.

The luncheon was given to mark the new eight-cent postage stamp.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 8.—India put formally before the United Nations Disarmament Commission today Premier Jawaharlal Nehru's proposal for a "stand-still" agreement on atomic and hydrogen weapons.

The 12-nation commission will meet tomorrow under mounting pressure of world opinion to seek to control the hydrogen bomb and other weapons of mass destruction.

Late today, Rajeshwar Dayal, India's chief delegate, asked Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld to distribute to all members of the Commission copies of a speech made by Nehru last Friday.

Nehru put forward a four point plan which:

1. Called upon the atomic powers to cancel test explosions of nuclear weapons while the UN sought means to ban their production and use entirely.

2. Urge that his proposal be considered at "immediate and continuing" UN disarmament meetings.

3. Proposed that the atomic powers publicize fully "known and unknown but probable" effects of atomic and hydrogen explosions.

4. Suggested "active steps" by non-atomic powers to bring an end to experiments with nuclear weapons.

Dayal asked Hammarskjöld's help in putting the Nehru plan before the disarmament commission, because India is not a member of the group which meets tomorrow at 3 p.m. E.S.T.

Dulles to Visit Paris on Indo

By ROB F. HALL

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The pronounced reluctance of France and Britain to be drawn into the State Department's plan for extending the Indo-China war created consternation here today. But Secretary of State John Foster Dulles made it clear that he intends to persevere in his efforts to line up an "anti-Communist" bloc of powers to deliver an ultimatum to People's China and hamstring peace negotiations at Geneva.

Senate majority leader William Knowland (R-Cal) said today that Congress might "delay" funds for any country which refuses to join the U. S. in an ultimatum to China.

Meanwhile the French Foreign Office in Paris revealed that Dulles will fly to London Sunday and come to Paris Tuesday to confer with government leaders. (The State Department would confirm only that the trip is "under consideration.")

It was obvious, however, that

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A Response to Our Appeal

Communists in Queens and Nassau counties, responding to Tuesday's editorial statement extending The Worker circulation campaign to May 2, yesterday expressed their determination to "exhaust every resource and effort" to aid the paper in reaching circulation goals.

The statement accompanied 83 Worker and Daily Worker subs from the Queens-Nassau area, taking it to the 46 percent mark in the campaign thus far. Supporters of the paper there are striving for 1,400 Worker subs and 350 for the Daily Worker, as well as a Worker weekly circulation bundle of 300.

New Yorkers generally yesterday turned in over 400 subs for the two papers to bring them to the halfway mark in their drive for 10,000 Worker subs and 1,300 for the daily paper.

Said the Queens-Nassau County Committee of the Communist Party:

"We call on our entire membership to rally to the support of The Worker and Daily Worker. At this time in the history of our land, when the people are threatened by the terrible triplets—H-bomb, McCarthyism, and economic crisis—the Communist Party of Queens and Nassau Counties is determined that the working-class press shall continue to be publishing and spread, shall continue to give leadership to the workingclass and other wide sections of the American people in defense of our economic standards, our right to live in peace and to preserve our democratic heritage.

"We urge our entire members to exhaust every resource and effort, to work with the utmost energy, to aid The Worker and Daily Worker to complete their campaign by May 2."

Queens-Nassau campaigners have been overtaken

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British Launch Petition Campaign for Big-Power Meeting to Ban H-Bomb

LONDON, April 8.—A campaign for a nation-wide petition urging a conference of the great powers on the hydrogen bomb was launched last night at a meeting sponsored by Labor members of Parliament.

A stronger proposal that Britain should ban all use of atomic weapons and deny bases to atomic bombers of foreign powers was debated and accepted as desirable.

The meeting was attended by 300 delegates of more than 100 organizations. It entrusted a committee with the task of drawing up a petition with a goal of millions of signatures.

Meanwhile, the Archbishop of York, Dr. Cyril Garbett, declared that the Church of England had to protest with all its might against the use of hydrogen bombs.

"It is essential that another attempt should be made as soon

as possible and on the highest level to reach agreement between the great powers on the questions which now divide them," Dr. Garbett said.

"Unless such agreements are reached, or at any rate the beginning of such are made, there seems to me little hope for the future of our civilization."

The idea of consultation among the great powers on the new weap-

on has taken a firm hold on the imagination of Britons. It was the bipartisan agreement on this point that smoothed over Monday's angry debate on the hydrogen bomb in the House of Commons.

Fenner Brockway, a Labor member of Parliament, was in the chair and the meeting appointed as joint treasurers of its permanent organization Sydney Silverman, another Labor member and Canon John Collins of St. Paul's Cath-

edral.

The meeting decided to approach the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia to get a similar petition organized.

The meeting was addressed by a member of the City Council of Coventry, which voted yesterday to dismiss its civil defense organization on the ground it was useless in the face of hydrogen bomb attack.

Illinois Primary Tuesday; McCarthyism Main Issue

CHICAGO.—Illinois goes to the polls Tuesday in the nation's first primary election of 1954—with McCarthyism the main issue. Many labor, liberal and progressive groups are using the policies of the Wisconsin Sen-

ator as the yardstick for the measurement of candidates. Congressional candidates particularly are being judged as to whether they favor a war-like, aggressive foreign policy and a domestic program of fascism and impoverishment of the people.

Running for reelection this year in Illinois are two of the most blatant McCarthyites in Congress. They are the Republicans, Rep. Fred E. Busbey (3rd Dist.) and Rep. Harold Velde (18th Dist.).

While Velde faces his strongest opposition in the primary, Busbey will probably not have a major battle on his hands until the November elections. Although the Democratic candidate in the 3rd District, James C. Murray, has no primary opposition, many unions and liberal group are seeking a strong vote for him on Tuesday to bolster his campaign in the general election.

UNANIMOUS labor and liberal support is lined up behind Rep. Barratt O'Hara (2nd Dist.) in his race for renomination against two opponents in the Democratic primary.

O'Hara is considered to be an outstanding New Dealer and has emerged as a leading fighter against repressive McCarthyite legislation.

In the 4th Congressional District, the unopposed Democratic candidate is William A. Rowan, who made a record as a New Dealer in his previous terms in Congress. A strong vote is being urged for him in the primary in preparation for his campaign this fall to unseat Republican Rep. William E. McVey.

Reject Dulles' War Stand, ALP Asks President

The American Labor Party charged yesterday that the position taken by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has increased the danger of our being dragged into a war in Indo-China without recourse to the constitutional process.

In a letter to President Eisenhower, Morris Goldin, acting AFL executive secretary, urged the President "to reject unequivocally the position taken by Mr. Dulles as contrary to the national interest."



VELDE

Petitions Will Ask Transfer of Morton Sobell

The 37th birthday of Morton Sobell this Sunday will mark the start of a new nationwide petition drive to transfer him from Alcatraz to a regular prison, it was announced yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case.

The Committee charged that Sobell was sent to Alcatraz after all pressure had failed to make him give a false "confession."

Alcatraz has a classification committee, composed of the Warden, his associates, the Chief Medical Officer, and the Chaplains with power to recommend transfer when, according to the official policy, "it is believed the prisoner will be able to conform to the regimen at other penitentiaries."

The committee urged letters recommending a transfer to James V. Bennett, director Bureau of Prisons, Justice Department, Washington.

What Do Your Neighbors Say About H-Bomb?

Help us reflect the real voice of America by sending us clippings from your home town papers expressing the feelings of the people about the H-bomb. Send them to Peace Notebook, Daily Worker, 35 E. 12 St., New York, N.Y.

ALP Launching Postcard Drive To Ban H-Bomb

"Everybody's life is at stake in an atomic war," states a postcard addressed to President Dwight D. Eisenhower, just issued by the American Labor Party.

Reflecting the growing concern of most Americans with the destructive power of nuclear weapons, the text of the card continues, "There must be a worldwide ban on the H-Bomb."

The ALP plans to distribute thousands of these cards in New York.

Back Langer's Resolution on War Powers

NEWARK, N. J., April 8.—The Progressive Party of New Jersey has urged New Jersey Senators to support the resolution introduced by Sen. William Langer which reaffirms the exclusive power of Congress to declare war.

In letters to Senators H. Alexander Smith and Robert C. Hendrickson, Mrs. Katharine Van Orden, vice-chairman, said:

"We are in mortal danger under a government which insists that in some circumstances it must have the right to unleash hell on earth without consulting its own people through their elected Congress."

Enroll and take your friends to spring classes at Jeff School.

Community Actions Urged To Save World from H-Bomb

The resident board of the American Peace Crusade yesterday called for the greatest possible outpouring of expression in every form from the American people demanding an end of all H-bomb tests and a pledge that such weapons not be used pending international agreement to outlaw them.

The board warned of the peril to the American people growing out of increasing U.S. involvement in the war in Indo-China, and urged that the U.S. government seek a speedy cease-fire there and a peaceful settlement at the Great Power conference in Geneva April 26.

The APC board stated that letters, wires and resolutions at this time to President Eisenhower,

The following letter by H. David Kirk, assistant professor at State Teachers College, Cortland, N. Y., appeared in the New York Times of last Friday. It is a powerful indictment of the H-bomb mentality and a call to Americans to speak out now. It has been followed by many similar expressions in the Times. The letter, which appeared under the heading "Our Attitude on Bomb Tests—Loss of Sensitivity Feared as to Personal Responsibility," follows: To the Editor of the New York Times:

Your editorial on "The Bomb" in The Times of March 26 stands in stark contrast to the letter published on the same page written by Lewis Mumford. Where the latter raised the most profound questions concerning the attitudes of our people and our Government in the matter of atomic energy, your editorial invokes a sacred cow called Science to show why the hydrogen tests cannot be stopped. Mr. Mumford has called on all of us to reassess the situation; the Government and the people must come to face the facts in which we are caught:

"... I believe that the American people... will realize that retaliation is not protection; that total extermination of both sides is not victory; that a constant state of morbid fear, suspicion and hatred is not security; that, in short, what seems like unlimited power has become impotence."

The issue is precisely what The Times glosses over. If The Manchester Guardian, one of Britain's most responsible (not only influential) newspapers, declares that there should be no more explo-

sions of hydrogen bombs, might it not make us stop to think? Might it not be that others outside our own heated political arena can see more clearly than we do at times?

However that may be, it appears that we are marching into a terrible doom. I mean not only the doom of physical destruction of our civilization and of life itself, but of those cherished values of personal responsibility which we are so careful to proclaim abroad.

At Nuremberg we judged war criminals on the basis of personal responsibility for acts of brutality committed while under higher orders. What about our own political leaders who in the face of international questioning and protests pay no heed but insist that the experimentation must go on? When Japanese fishermen got burned and the already scarce food supply of that country partially contaminated by our acts, was there an outcry here to show where Americans stand in such a matter? That there was no real protest seems to indicate how insensitive we have allowed ourselves to become.

Instead of a public apology by the Government of this country to Japan and the assurance both to make good all damage and avoid all further incidents, even The New York Times seems to ask naively: What is the furor in the Japanese press all about?

Need one really translate the incident of the recent explosion into terms of damage done to Americans and American food by some experimenting foreign group before our fellow countrymen will grasp the enormity of the situation?

The time has clearly come for ordinary citizens to see how big this monster has become. Is our democracy still responsive to the consciences of its citizens? I prefer to believe that these consciences are swamped by the fearful powers of atomic fission, rather than that the consciences have ceased to operate. Let every one of us be heard. The time is now.

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Rally Tonight To Greet Sacher On His Victory



SACHER

Harry Sacher, courageous civil rights lawyer, will make his first public appearance tonight (Friday) since the U. S. Supreme Court reversed his disbarment. He will speak at the Eighth Anniversary dinner of the Civil Rights Congress.

The dinner, which will also greet Mrs. Helen Sobell and McKinley Forrest and will hear the voice of Wesley Robert Wells, will be held at Yugoslav Hall, 405 W. 41 St. at 7 p.m.

Unions Stress Protection of Take-Home Pay

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 8 (FP).—Officials of AFL, CIO and independent unions were queried after CIO president Walter P. Reuther criticized the 30-hour week demand as a proposal for "sharing scarcity."

"I think so too," Lloyd W. Viers, of the CIO United Furniture Workers said. "I can't see cutting down the hours unless the takehome pay remains the same." The UFW is among the unions hardest hit by unemployment in the Louisville and southern Indiana area.

Viers estimated that half of the union's 6,000 members in this region have been laid off.

Another hard hit union is Farm Equipment Local 236, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers. It represents production workers at the farm-tractor plant of International Harvester Co., where employment has fallen from 7,200 to 3,100 in less than a year. Local 236 president James E. Robinson declared: "Our policy is a 30-hour week with no cut in takehome pay."

Vice president William E. Freudenberger of the AFL Firemen and Oilers, said: "A 30-hour workweek is not the answer unless the workers get the same pay and I don't think that can be done now." He said he agreed with Reuther's suggestion for a public works program and higher income tax exemptions in order to stimulate the economy and build purchasing power.

President Paul W. Priddy of Local 89, AFL Teamsters, said a 30-hour week at reduced pay would be advisable "only as a last-ditch measure to keep people from going hungry."

Rep. Roosevelt Calls McCarthy Un-American

Rep. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., Democrat-Liberal of Manhattan attacked Senator Joseph R. McCarthy Wednesday night as "a phony, a demagogue" and "un-American." He compared the Wisconsin Republican to Adolf Hitler.

Roosevelt, a candidate for the Democrat nomination for Governor of New York, told 450 persons at a Liberal Party dinner that millions of Democrats, Republicans and Liberals "will solve their domestic and international problems without the advice or guidance of phonies or demagogues like un-American Joe, otherwise known as Hitler McCarthy."

Referring to Senator McCarthy's reply to Edward R. Murrow, Columbia Broadcasting System commentator, Tuesday evening, Roosevelt said he knew of no man "more intelligently anti-Communist" than Mr. Murrow.

"In sharp contrast," he continued, "McCarthy's brand of anti-communism is short-sighted, stupid and un-American. He has no record of fighting totalitarianism and he has carefully avoided any opposition to our own native American fascists."

"In fact, his anti-communism is of recent date when he found it a convenient personal publicity vehicle. Don't forget he welcomed the support of the Wisconsin Communists in the Senate primary fight against Bob LaFollette in 1948."

CITES HITLER ANALOGY

Roosevelt charged that Senator McCarthy remembered that "Hitler rode to power by giving the German people only the alternative of communism or Nazism" and hoped that history would repeat itself. The Wisconsin Senator, he said, had given the American people only the alternative of communism or McCarthyism.

Rep. Roosevelt spoke at a dinner at the Empire Hotel in honor of Murray Baron, New York County chairman of the Liberal Party.

Upstate Pastor Sees McCarthy On Hitler's Path

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., April 8.—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy may travel the path of Hitler to power "if he is not stopped now," the Rev. Howard Kuhnle, pastor, Redeemer Lutheran Church, said in a sermon recently.

The pastor reminded his congregation that in the few years before Hitler became dictator he was regarded by many Germans as unimportant and one who could easily be stopped. They waited too long, he said.

10 Students Injured

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, April 7.—Ten students and 12 policemen were injured yesterday when police attacked a student demonstration against the Revolutionary Council.

Police said 41 students were arrested. The clash took place on the Alexandria University campus. It was reported three students were injured seriously.



ROOSEVELT

CIO Union Asks Woolen Mills to Arbitrate Pay

The CIO Textile Workers Union of America yesterday appealed to woolen and worsted mills to submit a current wage dispute to arbitration rather than compel some 20,000 workers to strike next week.

The appeal was contained in a letter by John Chupka, TWUA secretary-treasurer and director of its woolen and worsted division, to 37 employers, most of them in New England and the Middle Atlantic States.

More than half of the organized mills have already agreed to contract extensions of one or two years with wage arbitration, Chupka said, but the 37 have declined to extend their agreements.

The woolen and worsted industry, for the third straight year, is seeking a wage-cut, ranging from 9½ to 30 cents an hour. The union successfully resisted the previous efforts. Earnings average about \$1.65 an hour.

MEXICAN LABOR

WASHINGTON (FP).—A delegation of AFL and CIO and welfare and church representatives told Attorney General Herbert Brownell that the unilateral program of the U. S. to recruit Mexican workers for big farms in the U. S. would not control but merely legalize the illegal entry of Mexican workers.

CLOTHING WORKERS SPEED MAY DAY PREPARATIONS

Enthusiastic preparations for the big May Day demonstration at Union Square Park were drawn up this week at meetings of rank and file clothing and garment workers. Meeting at Adelphi Hall, members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers planned for a heavy turnout the day of the demonstration. Leaflets are being prepared for distribution in shops.

At the Malin Studios, the German Center May Day Committee elected an executive board that pledged full mobilization, raised money, and made preparations for an impressive array of placards and streamers.

The Provisional Committee for the 69th Anniversary of May Day reminded all participating organizations yesterday to set up local May Day Committees in their own communities.

Rank and file May Day committees in unions are going ahead full-steam with plans for the big 69th Anniversary May Day demonstration.

Albany ALP Opens Fight on Kearney Smear Hearing

By HARRY RAYMOND

ALBANY, April 8.—The American Labor Party of the capital district today launched a blistering attack on Rep. Bernard W. Kearney, Cloversville Republican and chairman of the House Un-American subcommittee now in the second day of hearings here.

"It's not communism they're after; it's you and your freedom from fear and want," declared a tabloid-page fly sheet distributed by ALP workers in front of the Federal building where the hearing is in progress.

Kearney pleaded illness and stayed away from the hearing room today. Rep. Francis Walter (D-Pa.) returned to Washington. This left Rep. Gordon Scherer (R-O) as the lone member to carry on, in true McCarthy style, a one-man witchhunt.

"At a time when prominent Americans everywhere are expressing their contempt for the reckless mud-slinging of McCarthyites, Mr. Kearney returns home for a second attempt to sell us fear, smear and bigotry," said the ALP broadside.

"How do McCarthyites operate? A witness is called—a member of the union perhaps. But he could belong to some civic welfare committee. Or a member of the ALP."

It might be anybody. And it could be you."

The broadside described the "browbeating and intimidation" of "unfriendly witnesses," all recorded by TV cameras, how "no specific charge is made, no trial held and no crime proved, but just the same headlines will say the witness is guilty."

6 REJECT QUIZ

Six witnesses challenged the committee's right to quiz and bully them on political beliefs and affiliations. They were:

• James Jones, a young Negro material handler in the Syracuse General Electric plant. "I'm not in the position to deal with snoop artists," he declared. Rep. Scherer barked: "You're clearly in contempt of Congress."

• Edmond R. Wagner, Syracuse graduate engineer. He charged the committee was "working hand in glove with GE to get people fired."

• Mary E. Woods, Cornell

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2 More Japanese Fishing Boats Are Poisoned by H-Blast

TOKYO, April 8.—Two Japanese fishing boats which said they were outside the 450-mile danger area when the second U.S. hydrogen device was exploded in the Pacific

March 26 arrived in port today with cargoes of radioactive tuna. Health officials ordered parts of both catches destroyed.

Parts of both ships, the Shoho Maru and the Kaifuku Maru, showed radioactivity.

About one-third of the 35 tons of tuna caught by the Kaifuku Maru was ordered thrown away when it recorded more than 100 beats.

The Shoho Maru, which means "Radiant Phoenix," landed this morning at Shinjuku, southwest of

Tokyo, while the second boat docked in Tokyo harbor.

A third major hydrogen device was detonated at the Pacific proving grounds Tuesday.

Pay Hike Averts Strike at Coast Refinery Plant

CROCKETT, Cal., April 8 (FP).—A strike at the big C & H refinery here was averted this week by a last-minute settlement under which members of Local 6, International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union won a 6½¢ an hour increase.

The pay boost is retroactive to Sept. 1, 1953. The new agreement runs to Sept. 1, 1955 and there will be another 6¢ across the board increase Sept. 1, 1954. Vacations were increased to three weeks after 10 years of service and four weeks after 25 years, effective Jan. 1, 1954.

'Salt of the Earth' Has European Premier

CANNES, France, April 8.—The American film, "Salt of the Earth," had its European press premiere showing here today. The film's distributors used facilities of the 7th Cannes Film festival to inform delegates from 36 nations and more than 400 correspondents of the showing.

The picture, sponsored by the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, was shown at a local movie house.

"Salt of the Earth" deals with a mine strike in New Mexico. It was shown in English dialogue. Mexican actress Rosaura Revueltas, in scenes in which she leads women pickets, drew applause from the audience.

POINT OF ORDER

By ALAN MAX

DELAY!

McCarthy wants to know who delayed producing the H-bomb. The world is asking who delayed banning the damn thing.

Each time the Soviet Union repeats its proposals for international control and inspection, Washington says how can we trust them. The Soviet Union doesn't ask to be trusted but inspected.

A columnist writing in the Herald Tribune tries to reassure the readers that "even after a hydrogen war, a great deal of the United States will physically survive intact." Good news for ragweed and moss!

Guatemala's Parties Reject McCarthyism

By A. B. MAGIL

VI

GUATEMALA CITY.—What have they got against Guatemala?

That Guatemala is "a beachhead for international communism"?

The fact is, as President Jacobo Arbenz pointed out in his report to Congress March 1, the fake cry of "communism" was used against Guatemala even before there was a Communist Party in this country. "How could they invent the umbrella before the rain?" asked the President.

Yes, back in 1948, when the Guatemalan government invoked compulsory arbitration during a conflict between the United Fruit Company and its workers, the U.S. big money press and certain Congressmen howled "communism." There was then not a single Communist in Guatemala. Anti-Communism was the club of the labor baiters to smash the struggle of wretchedly paid workers for a small wage increase.

Today anti-Communism is still the club of the labor-baiters, the spokesmen for the powerful United Fruit trust that has been accustomed to ruling the Central American republics like so many provinces in an absolute monarchy. It was, in fact, multi-millionaire Spruille Braden, now chief of public relations for United Fruit, who gave currency to the phrase "a beachhead for international communism" in a speech on March 12, 1953, in which he demanded armed intervention against Guatemala.

But Braden only recently told a Senate committee that he sees Reds under the bed even in John Foster Dulles' State De-

partment! Evidently a "Communist" in Braden's book is anybody to the left of Hitler.

ANTI-COMMUNISM is also the whip with which the friends of feudalism in Wall Street and Washington are trying to drive back to serfdom and starvation the Guatemalan farmers — 80 percent of the population—who are now getting land of their own as part of the government's agrarian reform program.

In a moment of unaccustomed frankness Sydney Gruson, New York Times correspondent, wrote in the February 23, 1953 issue of that paper:

"... there is a tendency to lose sight of the fact that if there had not been a single Communist in Guatemala, the revolutionaries who overthrow the dictator Jorge Ubico still would have insisted on the present program, including a new labor code, social security and agrarian reform, that is generally condemned as Communist-inspired."

Gruson later "corrected" this slip by heaping so much mud on Guatemala that he was thrown out of the country.

TODAY there are real Communists in Guatemala. They work hard. "Communists took the arduous job of going out into the country to see to the needs of the forgotten peasants, the silent Indians, who lived more often than not in peonage."

This quotation is another "slip," another bit of the truth allowed to trickle through the paper curtain of press falsehoods: this time via a generally malicious article by Flora Lewis, wife of Sydney Gruson, in the New York Times Magazine of (Continued on Page 8)

Lost, Strayed, or Stolen — THE UNITED NATIONS

By WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

THE UNITED NATIONS was supposed to be an organization charged with protecting the peace of the world. In its earlier days, no sooner did a critical situation develop in international relations, than the UN, dominated by the United States, rushed in to protect the imperialist interests of Wall Street.

Now, however, a crisis is at hand, with the Indo-China war dangerously threatening world peace, but the UN stirs not a finger in the matter. Instead, Mr. Dulles goes right ahead, trying to expand the present war into a great atomic conflagration, ignoring the United Nations as though it did not exist.

This sinister situation has a real and important meaning. It goes to prove the very significant fact that Eisenhower and Dulles do not trust the UN to follow their commands to broaden the Indo-China war, should they call it into session. They got badly burned on the Korean question, especially from the Asian nations. They did manage to wangle a number of war decisions out of the UN on Korea, but finally dissident nations, in response to the mass world peace demand, organized against them and forced through the armistice in the face of their most strenuous objections.

Dulles cannot trust the United Nations to provide a docile majority to put through the warlike policy Wall Street is seeking to develop in Indo-China. And he is probably right. Undoubtedly, this majority of the peoples of Asia, plus many peoples in other parts of the world, are deeply opposed to the atomic war that Dulles, with Eisenhower's sanction, is aries who presume to represent, and other labor reaction-



trying to organize.

Hence, to get some sort of a fake "united action" in Indo-China tinkered together, he has to have recourse to bludgeoning the nations that are directly on the payroll of the United States. And he may not succeed even with these unwilling puppets.

THIS IS A TIME when organized labor should speak up and put an end to the gross Eisenhower-Dulles betrayal of the interests of the American people with regard to the Indo-China war. But so far as the protection of peace is concerned, the leaders of organized labor, no less than the United Nations, are also Lost, Strayed, or Stolen. Not a word of protest is to be heard from them. They are such conscientious imperialists and Soviet-baiters that they unquestioningly follow every turn and crook of the warlike policies of Dulles and other blatant agents of Wall Street.

The British Labor Party, hearkening to the outcry of the British and other European and Asian peoples against the monstrous hydrogen bomb, has picked up this vital question, made it a national political issue, and forced the Churchill government to demand (sic) the calling of a Churchill-Eisenhower-Malenkov conference to try to bring this and other atomic weapons under some kind of control.

But not a peep of protest has come from the Meanys, Reuths—the interests of the American

working class. From their silence, one can only draw the conclusion (and no doubt Dulles draws just this conclusion) that they are ready to follow the administration and the Wall Street monopolists into an atomic war.

THE AMERICAN LABOR movement is now caught in a disastrous contradiction. On the one hand, the leaders are making a certain amount of opposition to the Eisenhower domestic policies and the anti-labor program of big business but, on the other hand, they are supporting the Administration's foreign policies of the same monopoly capitalists.

This gross contradiction cannot go on without ultimate disaster to the labor movement and to the American people. It is the height of folly to conclude that the present outrageous H-bomb brandishing by Dulles can in any possible way serve the interests of the working class.

It is high time, therefore, that the rank and file of the workers, who hate and fear the A- and H-bombs, take a hand in the matter. They should insist that their trade union leaders come out of their present war hypnosis and take a labor stand against the atomic bomb in all its forms. Too long has the working class permitted that arrogant warmonger and brazen agent of Wall Street, John Foster Dulles, to write the foreign policy of the American labor movement.

PEACE NOTEBOOK:

Yes, It Needs to Be Said, and MEANT!

WHEN THE DAILY NEWS asked around for whether people were reassured on their H-bomb worries by President Eisenhower's speech, here is the first answer they got:

"Mrs. Joan Lieberman, Bayside, Queens, secretary: 'Yes, the President's speech reassured me. We have heard a lot of loose talk about bombs and war, and it was reassuring to hear the President himself say we are not going to drop it first. It needed to be said.'"

This shows that Eisenhower at least partly was successful in giving the IMPRESSION that he said we would not use the bomb first. Of course, later in his own speech he brandished the bomb against anyone who attacked "our vital interests," which can mean any people anywhere in the world who move to regaining their own country from foreign oppressors as we did in 1776.

With the people aroused and pushing the President to say we wouldn't start an H-bomb war, it is important to let the people understand that the administration is ON RECORD TO USE THE BOMB FIRST, via the Dulles threat of "massive retaliation" against anything this Wall Street millionaire lawyer considers "communist aggression."

THE NEW ALARM over the destructiveness of the H-bomb is forcing many people to look to "Soviet intentions" for the first time, and to ask whether there can be peace. Is it true that we face the threat of "Soviet aggression"?

Let the answer come from one of our country's most prominent anti-communists, George F. Kennan, former Ambassador to the Soviet Union who was made persona non grata. Speaking at Princeton last week, as reported by the Newark News, he said bluntly:

"I have never seen any evidence that the Soviet leaders have at any time wanted a general war between the Soviet Union and the major capitalist powers. The Soviet leaders are not like us. They do not suppose a military victory solves all problems. . . ."

HERE IS THE kind of letter which is getting more and more typical in the papers of the country as the new realities dawn. From the New York Herald Tribune:

"... We are brave enough to examine and recognize the greatest potential physical terror ever engineered by man. Are we brave enough to face the psychological terrors, the intense frustrations, the sacrifices, the assaults upon pride that would result if war were suddenly withdrawn as terminal thinking, as the historical solution to every group problem? We are brave enough to wage a hydrogen-powered war, but are we brave enough to prevent it?"

"And yet we must summon up the courage, we must prepare to endure in the role of peacemaker, as we have prepared in our imaginations to endure unimaginable physical frightfulness, America must provide the leadership toward world order, and without losing a moment. It is our responsibility because we have brought this weapon into being."

"It is our duty because we alone among nations once hurled the basic force of the universe at our fellow man under the compulsion of a higher duty. And it is our sacred debt of honor as one of the last remaining strongholds of conscience in an enslaved, frightened or cynical world. DORIAN DOWN, New York."

NO FUNDS FOR CITY PAY, BUT PLENTY FOR PHONY JOBS

Mayor Wagner and the Board of Estimate contend they have no money to meet city workers' salary demands but the Board yesterday found sufficient funds to:

- Provide Lt. Gen. Crittenger, retired, with a \$28,815 outlay annually for his \$1-a-year Civil Defense post to pay for a liaison side (\$11,000), a secretary (\$4,885) an auto engineman (\$2,930) and a limousine (\$5,000). This appropriation was voted despite a declaration last week by Civil Defense Director Herbert O'Brien that the H-bomb made such emergency measures "obsolete."

- Approved \$22,774 for the Board of Higher Education to continue its spy-and-snoop hunt for "subversives."

These were some of the embarrassing fiscal items on yesterday's Board of Estimate calendar while 350 AFL mail service workers were picketing outside City Hall in protest against inadequate pay raises.

The Board held over until April 29 action on a one-way traffic proposal on Seventh and Eighth Avenues by Traffic Commissioner T. T. Wiley.

Mathew Guinan, president of Local 100, Transport Workers Union, blasted the suggestion as a threat to 64 jobs of bus drivers, maintenance men and mechanics.

Wiley's recommendation, which would have resulted in curtailed in curtailed operations by the New York City Omnibus Corp.,

was also attacked by Moe Iushe-witz, secretary-treasurer of the City CIO Council.

Flood Drives Out Montana Indians

POPLAR, Mont., April 8.—The Army Engineers said late yesterday at least 50 Indian families on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation had been evacuated as the tranquil Poplar River turned into a raging torrent.

There also were some homeless west of the community of Poplar, but no count was available immediately.

Signs Bill to End U.S. Control Of Natural Gas

WASHINGTON, April 8 (FP).—President Eisenhower has signed into law another big GOP giveaway which will cost citizens millions of dollars a year. The chief executive signed the bill passed by the House last summer and the Senate March 15, removing from federal control gas lines transporting natural gas within state confines.

Sen. Thomas A. Burke (D-O), a leading opponent of the bill, said it would cost consumers millions of dollars by putting some gas companies under state control only, while leaving others under control of the Federal Power Commission.

Penna. AFL Aids Store Strike In Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, April 7 (FP).—Heads of the five struck department stores here were accused of a "deliberate attempt to destroy" their unions, in a resolution approved by 1,338 delegates to the opening session of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor's 52nd annual convention this week.

The delegates, representing 800,000 AFL unionists, agreed to aid and extend over the state the boycott begun by the Pittsburgh Central Labor Union to support its 12 affiliated unions involved in the lengthy strike.

"That's the only kind of pressure the stores will understand," retired federation president James L. McDevitt said. He added an appeal to the store owners to "take the situation in your own hands and detour around the Labor Standards Assn." The LSA is the stores' bargaining agent.

Testimonial Tomorrow to Abner Green

The New York Committee for Protection of Foreign Born is tendering a testimonial to Abner Green at 8 p.m. tomorrow (Saturday) at the Cornish Arms Hotel, 311 West 23rd St.

Green will celebrate his 40th birthday April 14, which it will also mark his 20th anniversary with the American committee.

Tickets may be obtained at 23 West 26th St. Murray Hill 4-3458.

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THEY WANT TO FIGHT

THE POLITICAL BATTLES shaping up in the state of California, we think, have a significance beyond the local borders.

We refer to the fact that Democratic chairman Stephan Mitchell has told the California Democrats not to run James Roosevelt and Rep. Robert Condon in the primaries. If these two Democrats are nominated, Mitchell says, the national office won't back them.

We are not making any brief here for the two candidates involved, for that is not the issue. The issue is, as many angry California Democrats have already stated, whether the Democratic Party is going to join with the Roosevelt-haters and the witchhunters in the choice of candidates. The issue is, they say, whether the McCarthyite smear against Rep. Condon (it seems he talked with a progressive once), or the effort to "destroy the name of Roosevelt in America" is going to get the support of the Democratic Party's national leadership.

This alarm that McCarthyite slanders against Democrats and the Roosevelt tradition would go unchallenged was expressed forcefully by AFL leader Joseph T. De Silva, who resigned in protest from the Democratic Party national advisory council. He said in his resignation message to Michell:

"Your conspiracy with Paul Ziffren, national committeeman from California, and Clinton McKinnon, publisher of the Los Angeles Daily News, to wreck the name of Roosevelt is all too apparent, and too much for any supporting Democrat to bear."

Millions of American voters, notably from the trade unions, hate McCarthyism and the ruthless Big Business program it stands for. They want to fight it the way FDR fought the same thing in the 1930's. But Mitchell seems to think otherwise; his effort to do a McCarthy-commanded retreat on the Americans For Democratic Action backfired. The Democratic voters made him switch on that. This California fight against appeasing McCarthyism concerns all Americans, regardless of how they will vote or where. For McCarthyism must be fought regardless of party lines.

PASS \$800 TAX EXEMPTION

EISENHOWER IS FIGHTING hard to prevent the average American family from getting some cut in taxes.

The House defeated by a small vote the bill which would raise exemptions from \$600 per person to \$700 for this year.

Now the Senate is chewing on a similar bill for \$800 in the Finance committee where Administration spokesmen like Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey want to kill it.

Eisenhower is horrified because the lowering of taxes by even this small amount on the millions of American workers would lower government income by \$1,400,000,000—less than a billion and a half.

(The Administration has dumped two billions into the Indo-China war, and demands another \$1.1 billion for this war right now.)

BUT AT THE SAME time Eisenhower supports his "incentive" tax proposal. It works like this:

If you are a fat cat with an annual income of \$6,000 a year from dividend payments on stocks, you will not have to pay one cent in taxes!

But if you have to work for such an income of \$6,000 a year, and you have two children, Eisenhower wants to tax you \$600.

You see, this gives you an "incentive" to become a dividend-collecting parasite, so you won't have to pay taxes. Ninety-two percent of Americans never owned a stock in their lives. Of those who do own stock, a minority of 4 percent of them get 76 percent of all the Wall Street dividend payments. This is a government-help-the-rich tax scheme which would make a Herbert Hoover blush.

Eisenhower wants to give away an estimated \$880,000,000 to this handful of dividend collectors. But he is fighting tooth and nail against giving the wage earner and small income man a tax break of even a few dollars.

Labor's fight to win this \$800 tax exemption this year is everyone's fight. We should see to it that our Senators pass the \$800 exemption. In fact, it should be raised to \$1,000 per person, since it is now plain that the country is being bled tax-wise mainly to pay for the useless, war-breeding \$50 billion "armaments" budget which the country needs like a hole in the head.

MY DEAR READER:

I take this opportunity to address a personal letter to you. Hope you won't mind my digressing this one time from our usual discussion on events and issues affecting the labor movement. But I have some urgent matters to take up with you as an individual. I count on the friendship we have struck up over the months or years you have been following this column.

The first matter I want to take up with you concerns the life of this paper. Those lengthy emergency appeals you have seen on the front pages of this paper are not exaggerated. They are the plain truth. I needn't emphasize here how difficult it is these days to put out a progressive publication of any kind, especially such an advanced paper like the Daily Worker and Worker.

THOSE WHO KNOW of the difficulties marvel that the paper continues to appear in defiance of the harassment, attacks, terrorization of the staff and readers, and in face of the increased costs and difficulties to gather news.

One thing is sure: our difficulties are not due to a declining appreciation of the paper, or a decline of its role in the life of America. Some may fear to be seen with a copy of the paper in their hand, or to receive it in their homes. But that doesn't mean they don't want the paper.

You were likely watching as I was, Edward Murrow's TV program last Tuesday when he handed the program to Joe McCarthy for the evening. What was McCarthy's main contribution to the enlightenment of Americans. He spend about half of his time waving the Daily Worker and Worker to tell the country that we regard the fight on McCarthyism as the major fight today.

For once Joe told some of the truth. As millions of Americans

watched him, they must have said he is paying high tribute to the Daily Worker. It certainly was a badge of honor to have the chief spokesman of fascism single us out for his No. 1 hate.

When Republican Party chairman Leonard Hall launched his campaign against the "gloom and doom" boys—those who warned early of the developing economic crisis and demanded action—he "was" photographed against a backdrop of displayed papers that featured unemployment developments. The front pages of our paper dominated Hall's display. The reactionaries rave like maniacs because this little paper pierces their phoney "prosperity balloons" with the truth.

I NEED HARDLY remind you that the slogans for peace, big power negotiations and a ban on atomic warfare that dominated only our little paper years ago, are today receiving the support of millions of Americans.

We believe the need for this paper is today greater than ever and that the number of people who really want it is greater than ever.

My appeal to you is that you immediately do what you can to make sure that every friend, neighbor, fellow-worker or kin who is a potential reader is MADE a reader; that you PERSONALLY guarantee the necessary steps to get the paper in

their hands, by subscription or otherwise. Please act quickly. The life of this paper really hangs on the results of the current drive for readers.

THEN THERE is another matter. I need hardly tell you that the staff of this paper is much smaller than it was. It is far from adequate. We don't have the wide network of correspondents we once had. We find ourselves handicapped in face of a period of rapid-flowing events.

Handling labor we would be far more handicapped were it not for some wonderful readers who in their own small way drop us an occasional note, clip local papers on interesting items, send us marked copies of journals and labor papers of things they'd like us to comment upon, leaflets, etc.

They are readers just like you are. But they help us get some of the finest stories or material for comment. If the number of such cooperating readers were multiplied several-fold our coverage of the American scene would be much better and greater in scope. Such cooperation takes almost no effort. But it can mean very much.

I hope you give some thought to these matters after you finish reading this letter and above all, act.

Yours,
GEORGE MORRIS

World of Labor

by George Morris



This Is a Personal Letter to YOU

A Tractor—Whiskey Congressman

By CARL HIRSCH

PEORIA, Ill.

Tractors, whiskey and farm mortgages all show up in the political tea leaves of Rep. Harold H. Velde.

His spectacular five-year career in Congress was all made possible by corporations centered in Peoria. To the best of his limited abilities he has been promoting their interests in Washington.

His suite in the capital, Room 236 of the House office building, has an elaborate display of the products for sale by Velde's sponsors. Prominently shown are models of Caterpillar tractors and other farm machinery.

"Friendly" visitors are treated to a sample from another of Velde sponsors—Hiram Walker distilleries. Rep. Velde gets a periodic shipment from the purveyors of Canadian Club, Imperial, Ten-High, Walker's Deluxe and other beverages made in Peoria. And he is frequently found posing as a "man of distinction," with a raised glass in one hand.

Less in evidence is Velde's backing from the rich farmland banks in his congressional district, the holders of the mortgages on most of the 10,000 farms in the six counties.

VELDE'S votes in Congress are a chain that links him with these big money connections. His farm, labor, tax and foreign policy voting reflect the interests of the bankers, the farm equipment manufacturers, the owners of the big distilleries and breweries.

These are the people who bought him a political career. However, these very connections that put Velde in Congress may prove to be his undoing.

FOR ALL his support from

the big agricultural banks, Velde is bucking the animosity of the farmers, the small farmers whose income has been declining for three years.

For all the backing he has received by the farm equipment industrialists, Velde's anti-labor voting record has put him into collision with the trade unions in his own district.

And for all the slush money paid out by the liquor interests, Velde's links with them have intensified his opposition from the powerful Protestant church movement.

THIS source of conflict between Velde and the church people pre-dates the explosive events of a year ago after Velde announced that he would open a witchhunt among the clergymen.

Back in 1948, Velde was picked to run for Congress. All he had in his favor was a pretty face, a brief career as an FBI man and as a county judge.

Who picked him? Many people here drew their own conclusions when Velde's election was put in the hands of William H. DeGaris, then chairman of the Illinois State Retail Liquor Dealers Association.

DeGARIS, who was put in as Velde's campaign manager, was closely linked with the Hiram Walker corporation and its long bitter fight with the clergy. Velde was chosen as the man who "could put the church people in their place."

This became obvious from the kind of smear campaign which was conducted against Velde's two opponents, one a clergyman and the other a leading Congregational layman.

One piece of campaign literature warned the tavern and night club owners what would happen to them if church people in the district were success-

ful in their efforts "to elect a preacher to Congress."

"WAKE up," was the warning from Velde's campaign headquarters in a letter to all "tavern-keepers, distributors, distilleries and everyone connected with the liquor industry."

DeGaris exhorted the owners of saloons and joints all over the district to prevent the election of a minister "from the largest internal revenue paying district from beer and liquor in the entire United States—or in fact in the world."

Added DeGaris, "We know that Judge Velde will protect our interests when elected."

THE liquor, gambling and vice interests pulled him through by the narrow margin of 5,000 votes. But the church people, beginning with Velde's own Methodist congregation in Pekin, were angry and disturbed. Their anger grew as Velde did in fact "protect" the interests of the liquor industry in Washington.

And then came the big blow-off last March after Velde became chairman of the House Un-American Committee. The committee launched into a wild witchhunting terror drive against unions, liberals, educational institutions. Included also was a campaign of intimidation against the churches which aroused a storm of indignation throughout the country.

Velde and his committee proceeded to pillory such people as Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Rev. John Haynes Holmes, the deceased Rabbis Judah L. Magnes and Stephen S. Wise.

THE Velde assault against the churchmen is most instructive on the matter of the much-discussed "methods" of McCarthyism, of Velde-ism.

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Dulles' decision to visit London and Paris was an emergency decision, reflecting the crisis in his affairs, made after both the British and French governments refused to take action on his demand that they join the U. S., Australia, Thailand and the Philippines in a six-nation "warning" to Peking.

It was also obvious that Dulles' purpose in making this trip is to put increasing pressure upon these governments to accept the U. S. position on Indo-China prior to the Geneva conference April 26.

The anxiety of not only the French but also the government of southeast Asia was reflected in three important and apparently sudden appointments which Dulles scheduled today. This morning Dulles met with French Ambassador Henri Bonnet, and this afternoon with the Burmese and Indonesian Ambassadors "at their request."

It was generally believed these ambassadors expressed their government's concern over the dangers involved in the Dulles position, and asked more information.

The statements by President Eisenhower at his press conference yesterday are being interpreted here as a retreat from his earlier expressed opposition to involvement of U.S. troops in Indo-China.

James E. Roper, writing in the Washington Evening Star, said the President's "successive statements indicate an increasing possibility that Americans eventually will fight in Indochina."

Comparing the President's answers yesterday with those of one or two weeks earlier, Roper said: "Gen. Eisenhower's adamant attitude against the use of U.S. troops appears to have weakened as the Administration has pressed a campaign to alert the American people."

The Associated Press today quoted Sen. Pat McCarran (D-Nev) as saying, "It looks to me as if we are on the edge of war there (Indochina)."

According to the Evening Star writer, "official worrying here seems to center more and more on the possibility of a Communist conquest by means of political rebels such as the Viet Minh—rather than through an unabashed aggression by the Chinese Reds."

SENATE DEBATE

The debate on the Senate floor Tuesday reflected this realization that the Viet Minh has the overwhelming support of the Indochinese people and that U.S. intervention, in concert with other countries or alone, is doomed to failure.

Sen. John Kennedy (D-Mass) and others pointed out that the people of Asia refuse to support what is avowedly a colonial war against the Indochinese people.

Kennedy said: "I am frankly of



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the belief that no amount of American military assistance in Indochina can conquer an enemy which is everywhere and at the same time no where 'an enemy of the people' which has the sympathy and covert support of the people."

Referring to Dulles' proposal of "united action" Kennedy said, "They assume the inevitability of victory."

But he added "such assumptions are not unlike similar predictions of confidence which have lulled the American people for many years."

"Despite this series of optimistic reports about eventual victory," Kennedy said, "every member of the Senate knows that such victory today appears to be desperately remote, to say the least, despite tremendous amounts of economic and material aid from the United States, and despite a deplorable loss of French Union manpower. The call for either negotiations or additional participation by other nations underscores the remoteness of such a final victory today, regardless of the outcome at Dienbienphu."

Noting absolute French control over its Indochina colony, Kennedy said, "The other Asiatic nations have made it clear that they regard this as a war of colonialism; and the united action which is said to be so desperately needed for victory in that area is likely to end up as unilateral action by our own country."

"If those peoples (Indochinese) and the other peoples of Asia remain aloof from the conflict as they have in the past, then it is my hope that Secretary Dulles, before pledging our assistance at Geneva, will recognize the futility of channeling American men and machines into that hopeless interminable struggle."

As an alternative to the Dulles strategy, Kennedy proposed as a condition for support of the Indochina war that France grant Indochina complete independence and that a coalition of Asian and Western powers commit themselves to the prosecution of that war.

The remarks of Kennedy as well as of other Senators revealed their awareness that the American people are opposed to involvement in another Korea. Yet the failure of this sentiment to achieve organized expression back home so far, was undoubtedly responsible for the contradictory and evasive statements by the Senators.

HANOI, Indo-China, April 8.—New American-built C-47 transport planes arrived in Indo-China today.

Officials refused to say whether these are the vanguard of emergency aid requested earlier this week. They also withheld the number of planes delivered.

Have you enrolled for spring classes at Jeff School? Bring your friends, too.

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graduate, now employed by the Endicott-Johnson Shoe Co., Binghamton. She charged: "You are trying to put me on the spot."

• Neils Kruth, Lincoln Brigade veteran. He refused to discuss his political beliefs.

• Hugh Chaffin testified he had been expelled from the Communist Party and refused to answer any further questions.

• George W. Cook, who resides near Ithaca, refused to discuss charges by "slimy characters."

STORY DENIED

Many persons named yesterday by FBI undercover man John Patrick Charles—he read off a list of 130 he said he saw at Communist meetings—came angrily to the Federal Building stating they never saw Charles in their lives. But there was no redress.

A new "friendly" witness was called, former Cornell law student Emanuel Ross Richardson, of Richmond, Va. He, too, unfolded a stack of notes and reeled off names of young men and women he said associated with him in the Labor Party League between 1951 and 1953. He admitted he was operating as an FBI undercover agent.

Questioned by committee counsel Frank Tavenner, Richardson admitted LYL members were affiliated with various political parties, but he insisted on identifying them as Communist Party members. Quizzed on activities of the LYL, Richardson said the group fought for "Negro liberation," discussed the "fight against imperialism" and "for peace" and helped to "set up unions."

LAWFUL ACTIVITY

There was nothing illegal in any of the activities described by the FBI informer. Richardson betrayed his own people, the Negro people, by complaining that Arnold Seiken, one-time LYL education director, was expelled "because he didn't fight strongly enough against white chauvinism."

Both Tavenner and Richardson got into difficulties when the latter testified a person on the Cornell campus came to him and said someone in the school made a large contribution to the Communist Party, and "I suspected it came from a faculty member."

Q. Did any member of the faculty give support to the Communist Party?
A. I have no proof of this. But John Bricknell, of the English Department, did. . . . He seemed sympathetic with the Labor Youth League. He was the sponsor of the League on the campus.

Richardson kept pointing the finger at the English teacher who merely acted as a faculty observer of LYL. Tavenner asked the informer for more. The informer finally said he knew "nothing" about the teacher.

Rep. Scherer saw this was something that might get the committee in trouble. After the damage was done, he struck the Bricknell story from the record.

Tavenner read into the record testimony of Joseph Klein, expelled from the Communist Party in 1938. This testimony, taken in Kansas City, on April 6, was offered to set the stage for calling as a witness Leo Jandreau, former president of the Schenectady local of the United Electrical Workers.

Jandreau, who deserted to the CIO union is scheduled as a witness friendly to the Un-American witchhunt. Klein testified he recruited Jandreau into the Communist Party.

Scherer stopped the reading of Klein's testimony at one point to express concern that membership in the Schenectady local of UE rose from 400 to 5,000 members in nine months after it won an NLRB election.

Income Cut 10-15%

CHICAGO, April 7.—The Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago said today the typical dairy farmer is likely to suffer a 10 to 15 percent decline in cash income this year because of the cut in price supports.

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by Bronxites, with whom they're in friendly competition. The Bronxites have gone above the 50 percent mark in subscriptions for the two papers.

Manhattanites are also slightly above the half-way mark, while Brooklynites are lagging in the subscription phase of the campaign, with some 45 percent of their goal of 3,600 Worker subs and 500 for the daily paper in.

The Brooklynites, however, continue to do an outstanding job in circulating The Worker weekly through bundles, going above the 3,000 mark this week—or better than four times the rest of the city combined.

All-out Communist Party support is expected to spur the Queens campaign, and help enormously to put it over the top by the closing date, May 2.

From Virginia yesterday, there were 11 Worker subs and 1 for the Daily Worker. Subs were received, too, from Providence; Lorain; Ohio; Chicago; Memphis; Minneapolis; Newark, Trenton, Lakewood, Rahway, Middlesex County, all in New Jersey. From Albany, Yonkers, New Rochelle, White Plains and Ulster County—all in upstate New York—there was a total of 50 subs.

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Please note:

The new Robeson record will be ready April 10.

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AND SAVE

NAME SHARKEY TO REPLACE SUTHERLAND IN BROOKLYN

After months of jockeying, the Kings County Democratic Executive Committee yesterday named Councilman Joseph V. Sharkey as county leader.

Sharkey, vice-president of the City Council, succeeds Kenneth F. Sutherland, reactionary politician who supported Vincent Impellitteri for reelection last fall in opposition to Robert F. Wagner. Sutherland was considered through as leader when Wagner defeated Impellitteri decisively in the Democratic primary in Brooklyn.

Prior to Sharkey's election, engineered by Mayor Wagner and Manhattan Democratic leader Carmine DeSapio, the leading candidates for the post were James Power, leader of the 13th A.D., who is considered an adherent of the Farleyite reactionary wing of the Democratic Party; and James Mangano, leader of the 8th A.D.—Red Hook—who also backed Impellitteri last fall.

Sharkey, whose record in the City Council on major issues affecting the welfare of the people has been good, is generally viewed as a supporter of the liberal Roosevelt-Lehman-Stevenson wing of the Democratic Party, and has been amenable to pressure from the labor movement and the Negro people.

Though his election as leader was the result of a compromise combination of liberal and reactionary elements on the executive committee, it is considered a defeat for the Farleyite wing of the party.

Sharkey was elected after the tug-of-war between James Power and James J. Mangano, rival con-

testants for the post, threatened to split the party wide open.

Mangano submitted Sharkey's name as the compromise candidate following a meeting with Carmine G. DeSapio, Tammany leader and Democratic National Committee-

man. At City Hall Mayor Wagner said Sharkey has his "full support."

Six Courses on National Question At Jeff School

Courses on the national question were stressed this week as "among the most important in our spring term program of studies," by Doxey A. Wilkerson, director of faculty and curriculum at the Jefferson School of Social Science.

The school's spring term beginning the week of April 19, includes six courses on the national problem: The Negro Question (two classes); The Negro Liberation Movement Today; African Liberation Struggles; The Puerto Rican Question; The Jewish Question—Advanced. Teachers include Ruby Fox, Dollie Mason, Pettis Perry, John Pittman, William Vila and Morris U. Schappes.

Admission cards for these and other courses may be purchased any day or evening at the school, 16th St. and 6th Ave.

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Newspaper Eulogies of Toscanini Silent on His Anti-Fascist Record

By DAVID PLATT

None of the reports in the commercial press about Arturo Toscanini's retirement as conductor of the NBC Symphony Orchestra at the age of 87 mentioned the great Italian artist's deep hatred for fascism.

Toscanini fought the Italian McCarthyites of his time with his favorite weapon—the baton. He refused to take the position adopted by the singer Benjamin Gigli that it was 'un-Italian' to disapprove of Mussolini.



TOSCANINI

1931 when he was set upon by a group of blackshirt thugs and beaten up for declining to take orders from a fascist party leader to play the hymn.

Toscanini's hatred for Hitler and his works also knew no bounds. He showed this in 1933—not long after the Nazis grabbed Germany—by resigning from the leadership of the Wagner Festival at Bayreuth. He went to Salzburg, just over the Austrian border, a short flight from Berchtesgaden, Hitler's secret headquarters, where the Nazi conquest of the world was being plotted.

With Toscanini directing things, Salzburg became the outstanding musical center in Europe: the answer to the Nazification of Bayreuth.

One of the first works performed here by the conductor was Beethoven's opera 'Fidelio' which expressed this musical giant's profound hatred for tyranny.

It was in Salzburg that Toscanini quarreled with the German conductor Wilhelm Furtwaengler, a defender of "Nazi ostracism of artists for racial and religious reasons," and eventually forced him out of that city's musical life.

Toscanini quit Salzburg in 1938 when the Nazis marched into Austria. He went to Lucerne in Switzerland. Lucerne became the European capital of music.

The great Italian was a lifelong enemy of anti-Semitism. In 1936, when Hitler's persecution of the Jews was at its height, he took a trip to Palestine, to conduct an orchestra of German exiles, and refused to take any money for his labor.

During the 30s and 40s this noble musician spent his winters in New York, as conductor of the N. Y. Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra and later of the NBC Symphony. Here he continued to serve humanity with his music. In 1942 he led the NBC Symphony in Verdi's 'Hymn of the Nations.' "In his own hand," wrote music critic Howard Taubman, "he changed the words in the hymn 'Italia, Mia Patria,' to 'Italia, Tradita' ('Italy Betrayed')."

A decade ago this stirring composition was performed by Toscanini in tribute to the three great powers—U.S.A., U.S.S.R. and Great Britain—who were allies in the war to stamp out Hitlerism.

In this hymn of the nations, one hears the 'Star Spangled Banner,' 'God Save the King' and Toscanini's magnificent arrangement of 'The Internationale' which begins: 'Arise Ye Prisoners of Starvation—Arise Ye Wretched of the Earth—A Better World's in Birth.'

No wonder the newspapers controlled by the Big Money omitted Toscanini's great anti-fascist record from their eulogies.

To be known today as an anti-fascist is to invite the McCarthyite charge of 'communism' and 'treason.'



PAUL ROBESON will headline the list of artists and speakers at the 32d anniversary concert of the Jewish daily, Morning Freiheit, at Carnegie Hall, Saturday evening. Other performers and speakers include the Jewish Philharmonic People's Chorus, Allan Booth, pianist, Morris Schappes, Chaim Suller, Paul Novick, editor, Morning Freiheit.

The fascist dictator offered Toscanini anything he wanted in all of Italy in exchange for his good will, but Italy's leading conductor was brought up on the Republican traditions of Garibaldi and Verdi and would not listen to the tyrant who had robbed his country of her independence.

Nothing in the world could make Toscanini conduct the fascist hymn 'Giovanezza' before concerts and opera performances.

He was rewarded for this 'un-Italian' act in Bologna by a group of blackshirt thugs and

Unions Urged To Support 'Cyanamide'

By GEORGE MORRIS

Saw "Cyanamide," a labor play written by Burt Marnik, given by Tempo Players now showing at the Davenport Theatre. Everything Harry Raymond said of the play in his review is true. It's a fine performance—not only entertaining, but a painstaking effort to picture a struggle of workers in one Pennsylvania factory town as it really is.

It carried a powerful lesson—a lesson underscored by good performance because the actors, some of whom are themselves factory workers have succeeded in catching the spirit of the realities in such towns.

But I went away depressed. On the night I was there less than half of the 200-seat capacity was taken up. The labor movement of the city is either unaware of the play, or is paying no attention to it. I don't know of a union that wouldn't applaud the play. Most sincere labor officials, regardless of their ideological tendencies would agree the play packs a powerful lesson for unionism—a lesson that would carry more weight than speeches or leaflets with many workers.

But because the play is produced by a group of struggling actors, and is off Broadway, it is cold-shouldered. It's a damned shame! The big producers point to the small attendance at the Davenport and conclude that Americans don't want progressive, pro-union plays and won't even keep a small place like that filled except Saturday night.

Local unions, shops and other workers organizations should be buying blocks of tickets for this show and keep it going. More encouragement should be given to producers of such shows. (The Davenport is 138 East 27 St., for Reservation: MU 4-8693).

'Salt of Earth' Inspires Poem

Editor, Feature Section:

I am one of the many who have already seen the new film 'Salt of the Earth.' I do believe that those misinformers about art not being able to exist if cultivated and nurtured by the people, and the working class particularly, certainly got their jolt with the coming of 'Salt of the Earth.'

This fine film, from all aspects technically and creatively speaking, moved me enough to write about such people engaged in the ancient struggle for equality and freedom. I found I would like to share this poem with Daily Worker readers.

M. HELFMAN,
Art Editor,
'New Foundations.'
POEM

Out of the hearts of mankind
They've come.
Some walking, some running,
Others stumbling,
Coming, Coming
Now Marching, they're coming
The Salt of the Earth.

Oh listen
They're singing
The hopes of the world
Who are they who've come?
With tears
And with laughter

Take note of their song
These fearless,
These humans
Their struggle has promised
A New World Be Born.

—M.H.

on the scoreboard

by lester rodney

Look Who's Here!

HARD AS IT IS to believe, the New York Yankees and Brooklyn Dodgers play a game of baseball at Ebbets Field today, 1:30 p.m. Wasn't it just a couple of weeks ago that Billy Martin hit a pitch by Clem Labine through the middle and everyone went home?

This is an exhibition game, one of a series of three such played between the same teams on the last weekend before the regular season opens. It's been going on like that for as many years as I care to remember, one of life's pleasant little ruts which most folks would just as soon continue for a lot more years if the H-bomb wavers don't mind. I can still recall one Friday afternoon in the long long ago munching peanuts in the bleachers when a Yankee with a big belly, tiny feet and pigeon toes hit one that went over the right field wall and seemed to straighten out and take off for the massive Kings County Hospital building. Name of George Herman Ruth.

Today's game would bring surging turnaway crowds in any number of cities off the major league trail, but there is apt to be something considerably less than a capacity crowd on hand today in Brooklyn and tomorrow and Sunday in the Stadium. In spite of the long wait, and whetted appetites, folks around here tend to save their dough for the games that count, starting next Tuesday, and who is to question their wisdom. Certainly not me, who gets in for free.

At this time of year, and being exhibitions, these games tend to be windy, dusty, too long, with relief pitchers, substitutions, bases on balls and empty echoes all over the premises. Yet you can never tell. If it turns out sunny and warm it can be a very pleasant first look at the 1954 edition of the American and National League pennant winners.

When I was young enough it was worth my 50 cents after the long winter just to watch big league players casually hitting the ball in batting practice, just to hear the sound of the hard ball whacking into the mitt, a sound ten thousand softballs can never duplicate. Knew all the players, too, and they didn't wear numbers. How'd we get into all this ancient history? First thing you know I'll be telling you about how my father was taken to his first ballgame by his father back in the mid 1880's, to see the New York Metropolitans against the Cincinnati Red Stockings.

TO LAUNCH the great return to 1954—the two teams will not take the field exactly the same as they did in the late (lamented) World Series. The Dodgers will look most familiar, since only Carl Furillo will be missing from his rightfield post when the game starts, and that's only because of a little back strain which the N. L. batting champ is resting up. (Yep, Carl is the batting champ until dethroned. Had you forgotten? Know any other right fielder who can field and throw like him and also lead the league in hitting on the side?)

Otherwise it'll be the same team, which means Hodges on 1st, Gilliam on 2nd, Reese at short, Cox on 3rd, Gampy behind the bat, Robinson in left and Snider in center.

With Furillo in place, this lineup, without exception, contains players good enough to be rated in contention for a starting position on the 1954 allstar team. Which is quite remarkable. And by the way, Robinson, who DIDN'T make the Allstar team last year because of his shift in positions, has started to move. His batting timing and leg strength are gaining steadily for Tuesday's opener at the Polo Grounds, where he will face one S. Maglie.

After a weak and cautious start, Robby has started to go. Up to last night's game with Washington, he had merely crashed 13 hits in his last 17 at bats and on the bases was bedeviling pitchers once again.

Actually, though they look much the same, there have been four important changes in the Dodgers. Possibly, but not necessarily, in the order of their importance, they are the return of 20-game winning pitcher Don Newcombe, the advent of a new manager named Walt Alton, and the presence of two minor league stars, Don Hoak and Sandy Amoros, behind the veteran regulars.

Newcombe's importance needs no elaboration, speaking very much for itself. Alton's significance remains to be seen and might be exaggerated, though I prefer to imagine that he might not have made the same timorous and defeatist moves at key World Series moments as the late departed genius. Amoros is a young outfielder who led the International in batting and would immediately become the best hitting regular gardener on several big league teams. He has been trashing the ball steadily all spring, making it hard for the brass to send him down once more. Hoak is a crackerjack young third baseman whom the Phils wanted for that 50 Cs instead of Bobby Morgan but couldn't get.

THE YANKS, who are the champs, will look somewhat less familiar. Of the regulars, Billy Martin is now an Army private and Mickey Mantle is still nursing his knee. Vic Raschi, one of the Big Three, is gone. It sounds like they can't possibly be as good as last year, and maybe they can't, but the other teams have to prove it.

Like Brooklyn, the Yanks have topnotch returnees and newcomers. Back is pitcher Tom Morgan, who could be great. Harry Byrd of the A's may be an important mound addition. Young Carey, a much sought third sacker, may take up much of the Martin slack. The returned Gerry Coleman will help. A young pitcher from Brooklyn, no less, named Bob Grim is reported ready. And Skowron is a name you are apt to hear for some time, belonging to a righthanded young slugger who makes his way to the Stadium via Purdue, Kansas City, and the Yankee scouting, bankroll and Series-check persuasion, a combination second to none in gaining the John Hancock of youthful talent.

On the other hand, Phil Rizzuto will be 36 soon, and Allie Reynolds and Ed Lopat are definitely showing their age. And you don't lose a Raschi so lightly.

Sight unseen, the champs sound not invincible by any means but are still needing to be beaten on the field and not on paper. We'll see.

Well, what are you waiting for?

Play Ball!

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With one courageous "no."

—H.P.

'Keto and Kote' In Second Week

The Soviet films "Keto and Kote" and "On the Banks of the Volga" are being held over for a second week at the Stanley Theatre.

Schappes to Speak In New Haven Sunday

NEW HAVEN, April 8.—Morris Schappes, editor of 'Jewish Life,' will speak this Sunday, 8 p.m., at the sixth forum in the series sponsored by the Jewish Cultural Committee of New Haven, at 87 Howe St.

Schappes, one of the earliest victims of witchhunts in the teaching profession, will discuss McCarthyism.

Offers McCarthy War Medals That the Senator Couldn't Win

LOCK HAVEN, Pa., April 8 (FP).—Jacob D. Brickley, locomotive fireman and ex-marine, said he's surprised at all the publicity he got after he mailed his World War II won medals and decorations to Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis) with the sarcastic suggestion that they might make Jumping Joe a "hero."

"I heard myself called a 'marine hero' on the radio," the young war veteran said. "I certainly didn't mean it that way. I'm no hero. I'm just fed up with the way McCarthy got the country and Congress in such an uproar that they can't legislate. That is not good for America."

Brickley, who has a wife and two sons, has been a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen since he went to work for the Pennsylvania Railroad in 1942. He took time out from his job to put in three years with the Marines during the war.

He served on Eniwetok, Kwajalein, Samoa, Guadalcanal, New Caledonia and Hawaii. But Brickley said modestly that his only "really active combat" was in helping to drive the Japanese off Eniwetok.

What got him sore, Brickley said, was the news that the Wisconsin

Senator had received a commendation for alleged wounds received while serving in the Marines in the Pacific. Actually, the wounds were only an injury to his leg suffered when McCarthy stumbled on a bucket tied to his ankle. The accident took place during a shipboard ceremony in peaceful waters. Later, McCarthy lied about the injury, claiming his leg had been hit by shrapnel.

In his letter to McCarthy, Brickley addressed him as "bucket-foot Joe" and said of his medals and decorations: "They are not much, but they may serve . . . to make you a hero."

Town's CIO Supports Dairy Farmer's Strike

JACKSON, Mich., April 8. — Some 200 farmers went on strike to protest a sharp cut in price of milk paid by Loud & Jackson Dairies. Full support of the striking farmers was voted last week by the Jackson CIO Council. Vince Brannick, Jackson CIO president and other CIO and UAW officials were named to help the farmers.

The Michigan Farmers Union is also helping the strikers, who are members of the Southern Michigan Milk Producers Association.

The farmers have taken three price cuts totaling 49 cents a hundredweight since 1952, although the consumers got no benefit. Last January the producing farmers agreed to a 23 cents per hundredweight cut if the consumers would benefit by a 1-cent per quart re-

duction. The dairies didn't come through on this agreement.

This strike is a forerunner of increasingly militant action expected from Michigan farmers when they begin to feel the full brunt of last week's cut in parity from 90 percent to 75 percent for all dairy products.

CIO support for striking farmers here—and plans well under way for joint farmer-union action in the Flint area—augurs well for victorious joint activity to defeat enemies of both (like Ferguson) at the polls in November.

Hear St. Louis Smith Act Trial Motions Today

ST. LOUIS, April 8.—Motions to dismiss the indictment against the five Missouri defendants in the Smith Act trial were filed this week, and oral arguments before U.S. District Judge Roy W. Harper will be heard tomorrow.

"The evidence," says one motion, "consists of acts and statements, oral or written, of any alleged Communist, made in any place at any time, for the purpose of attaching criminality not to the acts of the individual defendants but to an entire political movement, and as such, raises questions so broad in scope as to make a fair trial within the limits of criminal procedure and jury trial impossible."

In a supporting motion for a mistrial, the defense charged the Government with creating "an atmosphere of intimidation and prejudice." Exhibits included the statements of John Foster Dulles and the speech made by President Eisenhower last night.

Unless the Judge grants the motions, the trial will resume Monday. The Missouri five are James and Dorothy Forest, William Sentner, Marcus Murphy and Robert Manewitz.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WASHINGTON (FP).—A catalog of tough economic problems rather than a series of clear-cut steps to solve them was the feature of President Eisenhower's message to Congress.

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George N. Bante, head of the

local, said the increase brings the day scale to \$114.75 for a workweek of 36½ hours the first year. The second shift scale will be \$120.25 for 36½ hours and the third shift \$120.25 for 30 hours.

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WILLIAM L. PATTERSON

Guatemala Rejects McCarthyism

(Continued from Page 4)

February 21, 1954.

Perhaps you've heard of Carlos Manuel Pellecer. Life magazine published no fewer than eight photos of him in one issue last year in an article entitled "The Red Outpost in Central America." The New York Times' Milton Bracker called him "the political boss of Escuintla," the department (state) in which 234,000 acres of idle United Fruit land were expropriated under the agrarian reform (with payment in government bonds).

I wanted to talk to Pellecer, but on the two occasions on which I saw him he was in such rapid motion that about all I could do was say hello. Pellecer is a very busy man. In addition to being a leader of the Workers' (Communist) Party, he is one of the secretaries of the General Confederation of Workers of Guatemala (CGTG), the country's united labor movement, and a deputy in Congress from Escuintla.

In a previous article I described my visit to Escuintla and told how peasants of the big farm called Concepcion, who formerly earned less than \$300 a year, now have a net income in some cases of \$2,000-\$2,500 annually. Is there any connection between the fact that the agrarian reform in Escuintla is far ahead that in other states and the fact that its Congressman is a Communist? Undoubtedly there is. That's why last November, when the citizens of the town of Escuintla, capital of the state, went to the polls to elect a mayor, they chose another Communist, Gabriel Cammey.

If that's "infiltration," make the most of it!

THE FACT IS that the Guatemalan Communists enjoy no special privileges; but they also are not subjected to special discrimination or persecution. There are Communists in private and public employment, just as there are members (in far greater numbers) of capitalist parties. The Communists are treated as part of the country's patriotic and democratic forces—and they never tire of proving by deeds that that's exactly what they are.

This is what grips John Foster Dulles and the other crusaders for the Wall Street way of life. As President Arbenz stated in his March 1 report, it is the agents of foreign corporate interests who, "in the name of democracy and the 'defense of the Western Hemisphere,' are exerting pressure for the adoption of a policy of division of the democratic forces, of the workers and peasants and intellectuals, and are demanding a quarantine of the Communists and those called Communists."

Rejecting this policy as disastrous to his government's democratic program, President Arbenz added: "It is no accident that in the American continent the most anti-democratic regimes are at the same time those that speak most of the danger of 'communism' . . ."

I don't presume to know what regimes the President had in mind. But it is clear that those who sponsored and rammed down the throats of most of the Latin American delegations at the recent Tenth Inter-American Conference at Caracas, Venezuela, a resolution directed at Guatemala don't believe the nonsense about "a beachhead for international communism." What has put them in a dither is that under Guatemala's democratic government and with the enthusiastic support of its people, the country is not a beachhead for international McCarthyism.

cerns, above all, us. For the first victims of McCarthyism were the people of the United States. If we allow Eisenhower and Dulles to do to Guatemala what Hitler and Mussolini—under the same phony banner of anti-Communism—did to Spain in the thirties we won't escape the consequences, just as the German and Italian peoples didn't escape.

Every expression of support from the people of the United States is warmly welcomed here. The overflow meeting in New York March 12 in protest at the U. S. - instigated conspiracy against Guatemala aroused great public interest. People wanted to know all that happened there. As Leonarda Castillo Flores, general secretary of the National Peasants Confederation, told me:

"We are not enemies of the United States. We are friends of the North American people. We don't believe that these big companies represent the U. S. people, but only a handful of wealthy interests that exploit both our peoples."

I had walked into his office shortly before to find him almost completely surrounded by a group of gaunt, weary-looking men, most of them barefoot—typical Guatemalan peasants—who were taking up various complaints with him. The phone rang. I heard Castillo Flores address the person on the other end as "Senor Presidente." President Arbenz was calling. I saw the faces surrounding Castillo Flores light up.

Later as we talked, Castillo Flores, who is a member of the Revolutionary Action Party (PAR), Guatemala's largest, referred to the meeting in New York.

"I lack words to thank our friends in the United States for their solidarity," he said. "We know we are not alone. We have friends all over the world. Not money will decide, but the struggle of the peoples against their oppressors."

(This is the last of a series of articles.)

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